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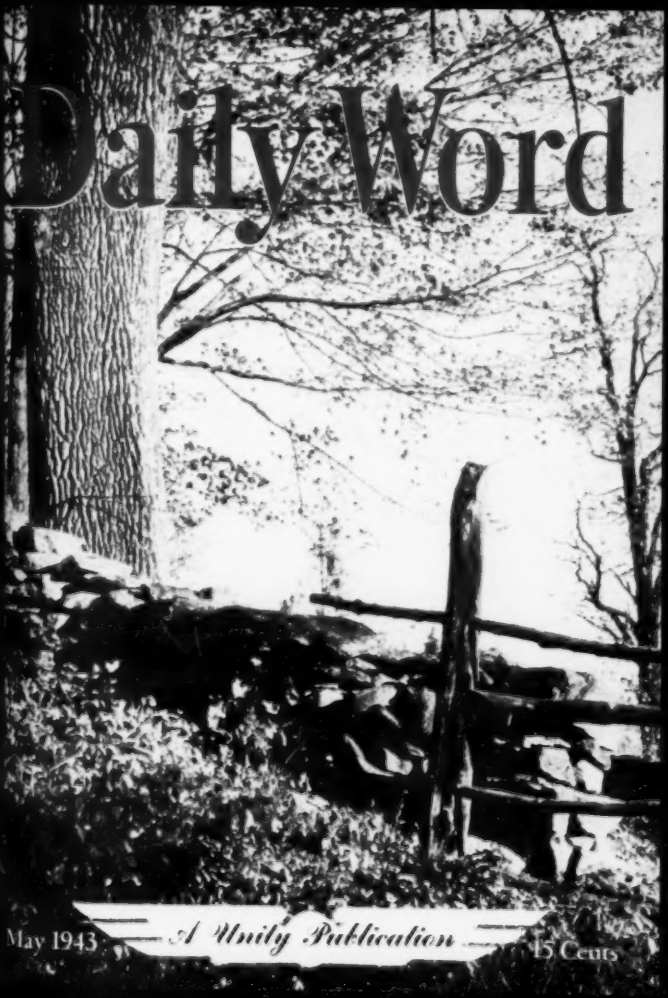

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Daily at 11 a. m. join us in this thought for spiritual illumination:

The night has vanished; the day appears. I salute the light.

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At high noon each day concentrate your attention on this thought for prosperity:

The riches of the kingdom now appear in the earth, and I rejoice in universal prosperity.

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At 9 p. m. each night let us acknowledge the healing power of Spirit with this prayer:

The same Spirit that raised Christ Jesus from the dead dwells in me, and I am restored to health and wholeness.

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In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a speedy victory in this world conflict, to be followed by a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

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Stately and tall, the Unity Campanile or Prayer Tower directs the traveler to Unity Farm near Kansas City. Even so this little magazine daily directs your steps to the sun-tipped heights in whose glory you behold yourself as a son of God; for such you are.

CAUSE FOR JOY

Myrtle Vorst Sheppard

And now again comes spring!
Oh, men, lift up your hearts and sing.
Let joy ring forth from every corner
Of the earth in this the bright green
Hour of beauty's birth. For as the spring
Arises out of the winter's cold, dark womb,
So once arose the living Christ
From out the stony, cruel tomb;
And so again will peace arise
Out of the noise of battle cries.
Oh, men, lift up your hearts and eyes
And read the promise
Written in the spring's blue skies!

Silent Unity's Word to You: Behold Thy Son!

"WHEN Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold, thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold, thy mother!"

It must have hurt Jesus deeply to see His mother and the beloved disciple John grieving for Him as He looked down upon them from the cross. Then, as always, His first thought was for the loved ones who had been so faithful to Him even when they could not understand His strange, unorthodox ways.

For a fleeting moment Jesus must have gone back in memory to the time when Mary and His brothers had sought to speak with Him while He was teaching. He had used the incident to illustrate the unity and brotherhood of mankind. When someone had told Him that His mother and brothers were waiting to see Him, He had asked: "Who is my mother? and who are my brethren? And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold, my mother and my brethren!"

Jesus must have looked tenderly and compas-

sionately upon His mother and John as they stood beneath the cross and sought to strengthen and comfort each other. He must have thought that here again was the need for those who loved Him to realize that even death could not destroy the bond of love between them or His relationship to them in Spirit. He must have wanted to share with them something of the joy and deep abiding peace that was His through His knowledge of who and what He was: a part of God in expression, inseparably unified with all of God's creation. He knew Himself to be a son of the Most High, and He knew all men to be like unto Himself, children of the Father, destined to put on the Christ and attain to perfection, even as He had done.

In His deep desire to lessen the sorrow of these two who were so close and dear to Him, Jesus could think of no better way to comfort and bless them than by indicating that John should be as a son to Mary and that Mary should be as a mother to John. Thus He again stressed the importance of unselfish, universal love over the more personal love that too often characterizes family relationships. We can believe that His suggestion brought peace and understanding to Mary and John, for we are told that "from that hour the disciple took her unto his own *home*."

What an excellent lesson there is here for the

mothers of all time and particularly for the thousands of you mothers who today have given your beloved sons to your country's service. The Christ Spirit is saying to you now, "Behold, thy son!" in every young man everywhere who needs your help and blessing and encouragement. Before you today are countless opportunities and challenges to express and to prove the universality of the spirit of motherhood. With tenderness and joy and understanding you can give yourself in service to other mothers' sons as they briefly touch your life from time to time. The love and sympathy and understanding you share with some needy boy near you is in reality a service of love bestowed upon your son; for the Christ in him responds to and is blessed by your love, whatever its form.

Jesus Christ's teaching of universal love and brotherhood is probably one of the most difficult for us to live up to, yet by some strange paradox it seems easier for us to practice it in times of war and strife than in times of peace. You may say that this is because war makes us more mindful of the necessity for it. This is probably true, but if we were always motivated by the intuitive love for mankind that is a part of our innermost being, we should avoid such experiences as the world is now witnessing. Not only is it natural that we love those who come into our immediate

families, but it is also instinctive for us to love all people everywhere; for universal love is born of the deep-rooted truth in our souls that we are one in Christ with every son of God.

When all races of men are governed by their intuitive love for one another, there will be no more wars, suffering, or misunderstanding. The divine love that ever emanates from our Christ self within cannot be limited to immediate or personal relationships but must include all persons alike. Such love is the spirit that promotes liberty, justice, righteousness, freedom, peace, and happiness. Jesus exemplified this love in His word of comfort to His mother, "Behold, thy son!" We too shall exemplify this love when we obey His command, "Behold . . . thy brethren!" and strive to accept and treat every child of God as our brother.

Whatsoever

LAURA B. FOSTER

God, give me choicest seeds
of thought to sow;
For harvesting will come,
and I shall reap
In multiple, I know.

The Testing Time

CARY THOMAS

IF IN these days of uncertainty you sometimes feel tempted to let fear take hold of your thoughts, turn your attention for a while to David, so beloved of God: David, who had known fear and had learned how to combat it. Over and over in the Psalms he tells us not to fear.

David had his problems, experiences that tested his faith, in which fear loomed great and overwhelming; but he always knew where to find comfort and strength.

Listen to this from the Moffatt version of Psalms 121:7, 8:

"The Eternal will guard you from all harm,
he will preserve your life;
he will protect you as you come and go, now
and for evermore."

"The Eternal will guard you from all harm." In David's time this meant that God would guard him from the enemies that surrounded him, and from wild animals when he was forced to live in the wilds.

In our time there are fears of a different kind. But notice it is not said that the Eternal will guard us from everything except bombs or torpedoes. It

says from *all* harm: from bombs or bullets or the fears and heartaches that eat into our very soul. The Eternal guards us now.

"He will preserve your life;
he will protect you as you come and go."

How comforting it is in these days to know that the Eternal does not limit His protection to any time or place. We are not taken care of only so long as we are in the United States. Oh, no. God's power is not limited. He will protect us as we come and go, wherever we are, at home, in the factory, in Africa, in the Solomons or in Australia. He protects us as we come and go.

Our part is to turn to Him, to believe in His power. Faith and fear cannot have place in the same mind. We must believe, we must have faith.

As an experiment try for just one day to turn from the fears that clog your mind; turn your attention inward to the Father, who is quietly inviting you: "Look here, where there is understanding and protection and peace."

Even if you accept it as just an idea worth trying, you will find yourself wanting to keep on, for at the end of the day you will find that you have gained greater poise, confidence, trustfulness. You will try it again and again, for soon will increase in your consciousness the assurance that the protecting presence is with you always.

May Loveliness

CLARA PALMER

NATURE drops a dainty curtsy and May is here, May in all her loveliness, with a message of new life, beauty, harmony, and gladness for all who will pause to look or listen.

Beauty may seem a far call to some whose life has fallen in stern and somber places, yet there is that in every one of us which responds to beauty. For God has written a message of beauty across the face of nature and woven the beauty of His wholeness and His holiness into the fabric of every living soul.

Much of God is revealed in the loveliness of a green pasture broken only by the silver line of a purling stream. Much of God is revealed in the strong arching branches of the towering trees reflected in the waters. Much of God is revealed in the beautiful notes of the lark soaring high in blue vaulted heavens. Much of God is revealed in the strength and stability of purple hills banked against the distant horizon.

No spot in the world is utterly devoid of beauty, for beauty is a crowning expression of God life. It always speaks to us of His Spirit, His order.

On a certain day in May a social worker entered a cellar room in the tenement district of a large city. As she glanced up at the small patch of blue sky beyond the shaft of sunlight that touched and transformed the upper part of the building she caught her breath in ecstasy at the loveliness of the day. A potted rose blossomed gaily and nodded cheerfully from a rickety fire escape. A box of gold-and-purple pansies smiled from a jagged window ledge. A child with eyes of golden brown looked down and waved a dimpled hand. Bits of mica in the stone entrance sparkled in the sunlight. What a soul-lifting day it was! What a beautiful day!

Stepping into the dank darkness of the cellar room, the worker said to the woman who lay on the bare, ugly cot, "I expect to find you better on this beautiful May day."

"Beautiful?" gasped the woman. "If I could see anything beautiful in all this"—waving a thin hand toward the bareness of the room—"I might get well and live. Beauty! How I love it! But nothing beautiful has passed before my eyes in years."

"I find beauty here," quietly said the social worker.

"Beauty here!" exclaimed the woman. "Where? Show it to me so that I too may enjoy it."

Lifting a small mirror from a bent nail in the wall the worker held it before the woman. "Look at those eyes," she said. "Aren't they beautiful? Look at the light in them, look at the color of them. See the smile lurking now in their depths. God's beauty is reflected there. Cannot you see it? Beauty as close to you as your own eyes—surely you cannot miss it. Beauty as much a part of you as your own spirit—surely you cannot help but feel it. Beauty shining there from the age-old stones of the entrance. I left the door ajar as I came in so that you might enjoy the loveliness of the light as it shone on them."

A new realization of beauty, a zealous seeking for beauty everywhere, in everybody and everything, yes, a seeking for and finding of beauty, gave to the woman who had lain inert and indifferent on the bare canvas cot a new lease on life, a new purpose in living. And as the years passed she contributed much of beauty to the tenements of the district, much of beauty and the order, harmony, grace, and appreciation that creates loveliness, to all who knew her.

In the beauty of wholeness and holiness, in the beauty of a well-ordered home, in the beauty of work well done, in the beauty of nature, of velvet-vestured nights and radiantly clad days, in the treasures of land, sky, and sea, in the beauty of

common everyday things that weave the fabric of life about us, God shines forth to bless us everyone and to establish us in the loveliness of His kingdom.

Then let us release into His loving hands the thoughts, feelings, fears, burdens, impressions, or things that make for unloveliness. Let us partake freely and rejoice wholeheartedly in the beauty that God has designed for us because He loves us.

Courage

GRENVILLE KLEISER

Press on! Though mists obscure
  The steep and rugged way
And clouds of doubt beset,
  Soon dawns the brighter day.

Keep on! Though hours be long
  And days deep-fraught with woe,
Let patience have her perfect work
  And vanquish every foe.

Hope on! Though all seems lost
  And storms beat high,
Have faith! Be still and know
  That God is nigh.

I REJOICE IN THE LOVELINESS THAT GOD HAS PLACED IN MY LIFE AND WORLD.

I AM thankful for these days when gardens and fields are renewed in beauty. As rows of living green spring from rich brown earth I am reminded of the new Christ life springing up in me and growing richer and more beautiful day by day.

I rejoice in the thought that even as I once gathered flowers for a May basket to hang on a good neighbor's door, so now I may gather love thoughts, thoughts of life and joy and faith, to place before the heart of a friend.

I rejoice in the knowledge of the infinite Friend who stands at the door of my heart with His rich gifts of love, joy, and peace. His presence beautifies life. As I look into the cupped chalice of the lily, His words of abundance are recalled. As I consider the tiny seed, dropping from my fingers into the waiting soil, His message of faith and its limitless multiplying power is brought to life in me. I bless Him for the loveliness of His life and the beauty of His teachings.

♣ *Consider the lilies . . . Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.*—MATT. 6:28, 29.

WHERE CHRIST LEADS ME I WILL FOLLOW. I WILL GO WITH HIM ALL THE WAY.

I AM thankful for the leadership of Jesus Christ, thankful that by His grace I can follow Him into the way of eternal life, love, joy, and truth. I may miss the path now and then, but like the Good Shepherd that He is, He tenderly draws me back to the right way, for He knows how truly I would follow Him.

Precious to me is my leader! Precious are His words of life, faith, and joy! Precious is the goal of perfection He has set before me, the goal toward which He is leading me today! Precious is the light that shines from His holy Spirit within me and all about me. Precious is the light I see in others as I greet them and pray for them in His name.

My way is clear and plain before me, for it is definitely outlined by the teachings of my Lord Jesus Christ. He heals, He guides, He illumines and instructs me. With infinite understanding He enables me to help and heal others; to pray with faith and understanding so that I may know the full joy of perfectly answered prayer.

♣ *Follow thou me.*—JOHN 21:22.

GOD IN THE MIDST OF ME IS MIGHTY TO ILLUMINE.

GOD IN the midst of you is mighty to illumine you, to supply you with light and wisdom for any and every undertaking. You need never work in confusion or darkness, for God in the midst of you is your eternal light.

How many have let their light shine because of the illumined words of Jesus Christ, "Let your light shine." He knew, He knows, the light that is within you, and He knows that its source is God. Do you ever doubt the constancy of your light? Look at the sunlight surrounding you. From the beginning when God gave the command for light it has shone, and it will shine as long as our world has need of it.

Now the light that illumines you is even greater than the light of sun or moon, more illuminating, more powerful, for it is the light of God's Spirit shining from within you. You may be working under sealed orders, you may be on a ship going you know not where, you may be facing duties totally foreign to you, but you need have no fear. The light of God illumines you.

♠ *Send out thy light.*—PSALMS 43:3.

GOD IN THE MIDST OF ME IS MIGHTY TO HEAL.

GOOD morning! How are you today? Is your mind, heart, and body singing a health song of joyous living? Are you seeing and rejoicing in every evidence of abundant life about you, within your loved ones, and within your fellow men? Then the all-powerful love of God is working through you at this very moment.

Let good health for all be your watchword. If anywhere you see or sense a need for healing just remember that God in the midst of you is mighty to heal. God is mighty to heal, mighty to quicken you with His healing power so that you can be a channel for the healing of someone else.

Scarcely a day passes when some need requiring healing does not present itself. It may be a slight need: a burn received while cooking, the bruised knee of a child, an injured bird; or it may be an urgent one: the need of a friend sick or wounded. Let not your heart be frightened. God is mighty to heal. Speak out the watchword of His healing life!

♣ *Great is the Holy One . . . in the midst of thee.* —ISA. 12:6 (A. V.)

GOD IN THE MIDST OF ME IS MIGHTY TO SAVE.

GOD IN the midst of you is mighty to save; to redeem and reclaim and secure the good that is in you. You can no more measure the good that is in you than you can measure God; for your good is but an expression of His Spirit within you, and you can rely upon the good that is in you to withstand every temptation, every form of error. If you doubt this it is because somewhere in your thoughts and opinions you have separated the good that is in you from the all-powerful good that is God.

Jesus Christ knew the good that was in Him, and it was the supreme purpose of His life to call forth the same divine good in others. Thus He became the Saviour of mankind, and He is as active today as ever in redeeming man.

Is a boy dear to you at the front? Are you fearful that he may begin drinking, may lose sight of the good? Dismiss such thoughts and help to sustain the good in him by knowing that God in the midst of him is mighty to save him from all error.

♠ *God is in the midst of thee, a mighty one who will save . . . he will joy over thee.*—ZEPH. 3:17.

The Prayer of Faith

By Hannah More Kohaus

God is my help in every need;
God does my every hunger feed;
God walks beside me, guides my way
Through every moment of the day.

I now am wise, I now am true,
Patient, kind, and loving, too.
All things I am, can do, and be,
Through Christ, the Truth that is in me.

God is my health, I can't be sick;
God is my strength, unfailing, quick;
God is my all, I know no fear,
Since God and love and Truth are here.

"GOD IS MY HELP IN EVERY NEED."

GOD IS your help in every need. It makes no difference what the need is, whether mental, spiritual, physical, or emotional; God is your help. If you have trouble controlling your thoughts, turn to God and open your mind to Him, and He will fill it with His strong, sure thoughts of Truth. He will give you peace of mind. He will inspire thoughts of health, faith, and substance that will illumine and overcome the darkened thoughts of fear and futility.

If you feel the need for greater faith, for clearer understanding of spiritual things, for overcoming power, God is the one to turn to. He will fill you to overflowing with His holy Spirit, and your daily life and activity will be the outlet for the boundless inner good.

Physical needs will be fully met as you turn to God. He is the author of your perfect life, the source of healing for all physical needs. Being Himself perfect in respect to life, God can and will make you perfect also. Your acceptance of His help means perfect control for you.

♣ *God shall supply every need of yours.*—PHIL. 4:19.

"GOD DOES MY EVERY HUNGER FEED."

GOD IS the fulfillment of every eager longing, of every righteous desire. God nurtures and satisfies the soul with the allness of His indwelling presence. God feeds and satisfies the mind with thoughts drawn from His infinite store of wisdom and knowledge. God fills the heart with His pure love and satisfies it with His perfect companionship. God provides for all daily needs, for daily bread, shelter, clothing. God Himself is the complete supply of man.

God does your every hunger feed. Perhaps no more acute "hunger" exists than that felt by a person who is separated, especially for the first time, from his loved ones. We may call it homesickness, but in reality it is heart hunger for familiar people and things. If you suffer from this form of hunger, just turn to God as to a father; you will discover the truth of your kinship with Him and His world-wide family, and you will feel at home, wanted, needed, loved, and cared for wherever you are. The infinite heart of God is your home.

♣ *Blessed* are *ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled.*—LUKE 6:21.

"GOD WALKS BESIDE ME, GUIDES MY WAY THROUGH EVERY MOMENT OF THE DAY."

HOW PROUD and secure the small child feels as he walks down the street with his hand firmly clasped in the hand of his father. Boldly he marches past the house where the big dog runs out and barks fiercely. Unhesitatingly he enters the stream of traffic at the busy intersection, his father guiding the way. Fearlessly he crosses the tracks where the switch engines are snorting steam; dreadful monsters they seem when Father is not by his side. Confidently he turns corners with never a thought of getting lost.

God your Father walks just so surely beside you today. Right past the spot where the frightening thoughts appear, and they do not even make an approach. Confidently, your hand in His, you cross life's busy thoroughfares where many things are moving rapidly this way and that. Noisy monsters of war and taxation hold no terror for you, for you know that God is at your side to guide, defend, protect, and deliver you. Happily you walk with God, and God walks with you.

♣ *I will fear no evil; for thou art with me.*—PSALMS 23:4.

I AM. I AM. I AM.

WOULD you know the power that is in you? Be still and meditate upon the name I AM. I AM is the name of your inner being, your inner self, the name by which you are irrevocably linked with the name of God, the great I AM.

In the I AM in you resides all the power, all the love, all the glory of the Father. You have skimmed the merest surface of living until you know and test the divine power and authority of the I AM, the image and likeness of God in you.

With infinite love and wisdom God shared His name with you. Every time you say "I am," you are speaking His name. The unwitting use that has been made of the common phrase "I am" has not lessened the power of the divine name I AM.

Devote your life to knowing, honoring, and using aright the name I AM that identifies you with God, and you will find no affirmation too high or too great for fulfillment. Once you know what you are, you will say "I am" in a way that will proclaim the truth of your inner being, I AM.

♣ I AM *hath sent me.*—EXOD. 3:14.

"I NOW AM WISE."

THE wisdom of God, the great I AM, is quickened in you. Are you in need of greater wisdom? Seek now the wisdom of God that is in you. Do not deny it by thinking how foolish or unwise you may have been or by wishing that you were as smart as some other person. The wisdom of another may help to direct you, but when it comes to the vital issues of your life and affairs only the wisdom that God has given and does give you will suffice.

Instead of wasting time thinking, "If I only knew more," use a few moments for earnest seeking of the wisdom of God within you. Dare to assert your I AM, declaring reverently and with receptive heart and mind, "I now am wise." Then note how many opportunities you will have today to use the wisdom God has given you. Notice and rejoice in the benefits that ensue when you wisely and understandingly live one moment at a time under the guiding wisdom of God, which fits your needs perfectly because it is divinely shaped for just that purpose.

♣ *Ye are wise in Christ.*—I COR. 4:10.

"I NOW AM TRUE, PATIENT, KIND, AND LOVING TOO."

TRUE, patient, kind, and loving—how wonderful are these harmonizing notes in the divine symphony of life! What a travesty of music would be the result if the members of an orchestra began to play without first tuning their instruments.

What a travesty of the good life of harmony we produce when we hurriedly start our day with jangling notes of impatience and discord that drown out the keynote of divine love to which our life should be kept tuned.

Would you enjoy the exquisite harmony of heavenly love and peace and joy today? Then start your day aright by letting Christ, the master of all harmony, assist you in tuning the instrument of thought, feeling, and living that has been placed in your hand.

Some thoughts may be false to the highest and best that is in you. Some nerves may be ajangle, some feelings awry. What of it? Under the direction of the Master's loving hand they are quickly harmonized.

♣ *God is true.*—JOHN 3:33.

Unite with us in this
prayer for all who are
in the Nation's service.
The love of God
infolds you.
The power of God
protects you.
Wherever you are,
God is.
UNITY SCHOOL of CHRISTIANITY

A Message to Those in Service

The light of God surrounds you.
The love of God infolds you.
The power of God protects you.
The presence of God watches over you.

NIGHT and DAY, never ceasing, this prayer goes out from the hearts of Unity workers and readers to the far corners of the earth, carrying the blessing of God to every one of you men and women who are giving your services to the cause of peace. We wish that you could know how earnestly we are praying for your safety and protection, how unwaveringly we trust in God's power to uphold and deliver you. We are one with you momently in thought, in love, and in spiritual fellowship.

Prayers go out to you continuously not only from the workers here in Unity School but also from men and women the world over who join us in asking the benediction of the Father upon you. The large signboard outside our office building, which you see pictured on the opposite page, invites every passer-by to join us in praying for you. The young man in the picture is one of our employees, who is now in training in the army air force. Tommy and all the other boys who have gone from here into every branch of the service are uniting in this blessing and radiating its reassurance and benediction to their comrades. Recently a short Unity film has been presenting the prayer in many motion-picture theaters, and it is being given repeatedly on more than sixty weekly Unity radio broadcasts.

If the time comes when you are in need of courage or strength or healing or protection, remember that thousands of prayers are at that moment winging their way toward you. But above all remember that where you are God is; and where God is there is light and strength, life and wisdom, and that almighty miracle-working power against which nothing can prevail. God in and about you is your strong fortress, your defense, and your deliverance!

"ALL THINGS I AM, CAN DO, AND BE, THROUGH CHRIST, THE TRUTH THAT IS IN ME."

BECAUSE of what you are in truth you can do and be what you will. Place no limitations upon yourself. Do not measure yourself by past ability or experiences or by ancestors, but step out on the illumined path of Truth today and prove what you are, what you can do and be, through Christ.

"Now are we children of God, and it is not yet made manifest what we shall be. We know that . . . we shall be like him."

The greatest achievement possible to you is to let Christ become manifest through you, to let all weakness, darkness, error, and fear be swallowed up in the strength, light, truth, and faith that reveals Christ made manifest in you. The works that Jesus did are the forerunners of the works that you can do this day. Never were they more greatly needed; never could they be more magnificently done than they can now be done by you, through Christ.

♣ *Arise and be doing, and Jehovah be with thee.*—I CHRON. 22:16.

"GOD IS MY HEALTH, I CAN'T BE SICK."

GOD IS your health. Nothing in all the world can give you such an assurance of abiding and enduring health as your acceptance of the truth that God is your health. Without hesitation you gladly admit your belief in God as life, as the author and source of the life that you claim as your own; but you may not have thought of His life in the midst of you as your perfect health.

God as your health is of far greater import to you than God as your healer. God is the divine principle of life, unchanging, absolute, sure. The answer to your use of this divine principle of life is health; ever and always it is health. It does not vary; it cannot change any more than the truth that one and one makes two can change.

You cannot be absolutely sure of your health until you know God as health, as perfect health that, because it is the expression of God in you, is not subject to any form of sickness or disease. Once you become health conscious knowing that God is your health, you cannot be sick.

♣ *I shall yet praise him,* who is *the health of my countenance, and my God.*—PSALMS 42:11 (A. V.).

"GOD IS MY STRENGTH, UNFAILING, QUICK."

GOD IS your strength, unfailing, quick. You need not wait a week, a day, a moment for the strength you may need. Your willingness to receive it is the Open sesame! through which His strength is poured into you.

Many are the superhuman feats of strength that have been performed in the hour of emergency. But why wait for an emergency to call upon the comforting strength of God? Does your work at times seem too hard? Do certain temptations seem beyond the strength of your will to resist? Do you seem unequal under certain circumstances to taking your stand for the right, to saying yes or no and sticking by it?

It is not always in the physical need for strength that we sense our weakness. It is often in matters of thought and speech, heart and feelings, faith and love and loyalty that we need to stand loving, firm, and strong for God and the Truth we know. In all things depend upon the divine strength within you.

He giveth strength and power unto his *people. Blessed be God.*

—PSALMS 68:35.

"GOD IS MY ALL."

GOD IS your all. Would you know the fullness and completeness of your divine inheritance? Make a practice of contemplating the allness of God, His life, love, and substance. Must you sometimes wait for a train or a bus, for an appointment or for dinner to cook? Use these unscheduled moments to rejoice in the allness of God, your good.

God is all and in all. His life permeates all. His love infolds all. His light illumines all. His substance supports all. God is your all, the life that courses through your body, the intelligence that functions through your mind, the love that means more than all else in heaven or in earth, the substance that places the riches of heaven and earth within the grasp of your faith.

It may take an eternity to reveal the riches and glory of God to you. But what a glorious eternity it will be as you come to know God as all that your spirit, mind, soul, or body can possibly need, and you behold the perfection of His handiwork brought forth within you and all about you.

♣ *One God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all.*—EPH. 4:6.

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

I AM thankful for the gospel of Jesus Christ, thankful that it includes all the people of the earth, and whoever will can find new life in it, a new purpose, a new joy, in living. I am thankful that the gospel of Jesus Christ, His gospel of love and freedom, peace and truth, has been brought into my life and that through Him I can bear it on into other lives.

Wherever I am, however I serve, I have the joy of knowing that by living aright I can help others live for Christ. By serving I can help others work for Him. By thinking and speaking and praying I can help others know the power of right thought, speech, and prayer, the joy of them, the uplift of them. I know that Jesus Christ brought His gospel to earth to help all men rise up in the strength, the power, the glory, and the universal brotherhood of something bigger, finer, more Godlike and glorious than man had ever known before.

♣ *Our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death, . . . brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.*—II TIM. 1:10.

"I KNOW NO FEAR,
SINCE GOD AND LOVE AND TRUTH ARE HERE."

It is indeed blessed to be without fear, to know that a power greater than that of any danger fills, guides, and protects you. There must be a real reason for saying that you have no fear, otherwise the words are futile. When your word is backed by the truth that God is right with you, filling you with the power of His Spirit, surrounding and protecting you, clearing the way before you, then you can face any demand or condition without knowing fear.

The life of God in you is mightier than any appearance of disease, therefore you need have no fear of being sick. God's love is mighty to subdue inharmony, therefore you need fear no disturbance in yourself, your environment, or world.

Things that constitute perils for one who does not know God as all, hold no terror for you, who can quickly lay hold of His power, declaring, "I know no fear, since God and love and Truth are here."

♣ *They shall fear no more.*—Jer. 23:4.

TRUSTINGLY, THANKFULLY I FEED UPON THE LIVING BREAD.

THERE is satisfying substance for me, living and eternal substance in Christ. He is the living bread that satisfies every longing of my soul. He fills all emptiness with the living substance of divine life, love, and faith.

Even as He was fed with bread from heaven when the need for it arose in the wilderness, so I know that I too shall be fed should the need arise, and this knowing takes all thought of a food shortage out of my mind. My daily bread comes forth, and I thank God for it. Even as I have no need to store the inner riches of His Spirit within me, so I have no need to store outer things for the sustenance of my body.

As I am fed, so through Christ all-loving, all-glorious, I am learning to feed others with the bread of heaven, with the Truth that nurtures and builds up the perfect man. The store of living bread cannot be depleted. It is molded under the divine law of ever-increasing substance to meet all humanity's needs. His bread is for the life of the world.

♣ *I am the living bread.*—JOHN 6:51.

I AM ALWAYS WITH GOD. NOTHING CAN SEPARATE ME FROM HIM.

YOU MAY feel at times that you are far away from God, that your strength is giving out and your endurance failing, but this is only a bad dream and quickly passes when you awake to the truth that you are always with God, no matter where you are or what you are doing.

Sometimes the difficulties of life make us feel desolate or remote from the presence of God. Yet no circumstance, no lack of faith on our part can separate us from the Father. No matter what we may do or where we may go, we are with God. We may yield to temptation, we may descend into Sheol, we may feel ourselves separated from God. Nevertheless the fact remains that through every experience, through every moment of the day and the night, we have been with God.

It is good to remember in every situation that God is with us. But there are times when it is even more strengthening to remember that we are with God.

You are with God! In sickness, in want, in danger, in unhappiness, you are still with God!

♣ *When I awake, I am still with thee.*—PSALMS 139:18.

Class Thoughts

TO BE USED FROM

May 20 to June 19

The class thoughts on this page are composed by Charles Fillmore for the purpose of providing central ideas upon which Truth students everywhere may concentrate during the month. You are invited to use them with Silent Unity not only at the hours specified but whenever you have opportunity. We also urge you to join us constantly in the prayer for world peace.

At 11 a. m. use this thought for

ILLUMINATION . . . ***The light of Spirit shines in my mind.***

At 12 noon use this thought for

PROSPERITY . . . ***My mind is so full of thoughts of prosperity that there is no room for thoughts of lack.***

At 9 p. m. use this thought for

HEALING . . . ***I am energized by the electrified life of Spirit and restored to health and wholeness.***

Use this prayer for world peace:

PEACE . . . ***In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a speedy victory in this world conflict, to be followed by a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.***

THE LIGHT OF SPIRIT SHINES IN MY MIND.

WHEN WE try to work under conditions of poor lighting we find that our eyes become strained, our nerves are set on edge, and the work we do is of inferior quality. We need a sufficient amount of light to enable us to function effectively at the peak of our physical efficiency.

In like manner we need the light of Spirit if we are to function at our fullest spiritual efficiency and live adequately and victoriously. Without the benefit of Spirit light we find a thousand difficulties blocking our way, and we fail to understand the true purpose of our life.

Spirit light is the phrase by which we describe God's functioning as enlightenment or divine wisdom in active expression. When we need wisdom or are not quite sure what to do in any particular case, faithful use of an affirmation such as the prayer for today will act powerfully to clear away all dark doubts and uncertainties and reveal the right path for us to take.

For thou wilt light my lamp:
Jehovah my God will lighten my darkness.
—PSALMS 18:28.

MY MIND IS SO FULL OF THOUGHTS OF PROSPERITY THAT THERE IS NO ROOM FOR THOUGHTS OF LACK.

TODAY'S prayer points out to us an effective method for coping with the unwelcome thoughts that infest our mental household. We can get rid of them by crowding them out, by filling our mind so full of thoughts of prosperity and plenty that there is no room for them to remain.

It is often truly said that thoughts of plenty are the seed from which prosperity grows. The converse is also true, namely that thoughts of lack are the seed from which poverty grows.

If we would be prosperous always, we need to cease thinking about lack or insufficiency of any kind. We need to dwell continually in thought on the truth that God is infinite abundance of every good thing that we can ever need or desire. By continually projecting into our consciousness these prosperous thoughts we make it impossible for any contrary thoughts to become established there.

Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created;
And thou renewest the face of the ground.
—PSALMS 104:30.

I AM ENERGIZED BY THE ELECTRIFIED LIFE OF SPIRIT AND RESTORED TO HEALTH AND WHOLENESS.

OUR PRAYER for today, which is the healing thought for the current month, directs our attention to the tremendous current of energy that we call life. Life is sometimes compared to electricity. We are able to understand how each functions, but we cannot define either. Yet both operate in accord with certain laws that are as precise and unfailing as God Himself.

Spirit life is the name by which we designate pure energy in active expression. We "electrify" this life when we direct the power of our positive thought toward it, and set its invigorating, stimulating energy free to work in our mind and body. In the book *Jesus Christ Heals* Charles Fillmore says: "Spirit is a vigorous stimulant. It uplifts the whole consciousness, vitalizes the organs, and gives us courage and endurance."

The life of Spirit, electrified by our own positive mental activity, is mighty to heal, to renew, to vitalize, and to restore complete health and wholeness to our mind and body.

♠ *He hath given us . . . his Spirit.*—I JOHN 4:13.

GLADLY I CARRY THE STANDARD OF MY LORD JESUS CHRIST.

WHO can restore peace to our world? Who can bring order and harmony, health and plenty to the people of every land? Who can carry the torch of freedom, faith, and courage to all the nations? The standard-bearers of Jesus Christ.

Why have our boys and brothers and husbands and fathers been called for service in army, navy, and air corps? Why must they go from Christian homes to carry on this business of war? Because they are needed at the front to bear the standard of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let no man or woman be tempted to lower the standard set up in heart, home, church, and nation by the ever-loving and understanding Christ. No substitute can take its place or provide the sure satisfaction. No stimulant can so strengthen or encourage a person as can his own act of upholding the Christ standard. It inspires the man who bears it, carries him on to victory, to mastery of self and upliftment of his country and his world.

♣ *They that wait for me shall not be put to shame.* —ISA. 49:23.

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE FAITH OF JESUS CHRIST.

I AM thankful for the faith of Jesus Christ, which speaks to my soul, saying, "All things are possible." When I might shrink back, crying, "This is too much for me; my faith is not strong enough to meet this need," His words live again in my consciousness and supply the added strength to my faith that makes all things possible.

I am thankful that Jesus Christ went through the highways and the byways healing the halt, the lame, the blind, the deaf. I am glad that the leper was made clean, the Magdalene redeemed, the son of the widow restored to her. I am thankful that Peter's faith was so strong that even his shadow's falling upon them healed the sick. It makes me know that through the power of Jesus Christ my faith can likewise be strengthened.

I am thankful that Jesus Christ suffered death and rose from the dead, giving to all the world the living evidence that life cannot die. His faith has quickened within me a faith that says, "Christ conquered death, and so can I."

♣ *All things are possible to him that believeth.*—MARK 9:23.

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST.

I AM thankful for the love of Jesus Christ, which sets the divine standard of loving before me, thankful for the transforming power of love that He Himself has kindled in my heart.

In the love of Christ I find healing for every ill of mind, heart, soul, and body. I find complete forgiveness for all. I find divine compassion that is not withheld from a single soul but is given to all, a sweet, strong current of tenderness, uplift, harmony, and unity. I am thankful for the love of Christ now carried to every corner of the globe by those who believe in Him.

The love of Christ adjusts all inharmony. It is powerful to right world conditions right now, and I give thanks that this is being done. From home to home, heart to heart, nation to nation, divine love is at work. The theme of love is sounding above the discordant note of mortal ideas and opinions. Into the thick of battle, into the governments, the love of Christ is steadily sounding its harmonizing note of wholeness and peace to all the world.

♣ *Greater love hath no man than this.*—JOHN 15:13.

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE JOY OF JESUS CHRIST.

THE JOY of Jesus Christ is a living thing. It is a cheering, vitalizing, uplifting force that lifts the burden from my shoulders, minimizes my responsibilities, brings an inner gladness to my heart and a smile to my countenance. As sparkling grace notes enhance a melody, so the joy of Jesus Christ enhances the harmony of life.

I am strengthened by the joy of Jesus Christ as it comes to me in happy thought waves from the Spirit of His inner presence. There is a luminous, free, glad way of solving problems, and the joy of Jesus Christ is helping me find it. Bless God for the healing, comforting, strengthening joy brought to our world by His beloved Son.

Joy lives and breathes through His words of life, love, faith, and assurance. No wonder little children crept into His arms and left them with faces wreathed in smiles! No wonder the sick are so happy when they are healed! Joy has played a big part in the healing ministry of the Christ. It is His healing remedy for all suffering and sadness.

♣ *Joy* cometh.—PSALMS 30:5.

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST.

I AM thankful for the peace of Jesus Christ, the all-pervading power of it, the assurance in spite of all outer appearances that His peace is to rule our world. When I lie down to sleep I am thankful for His comfort and peace; I am glad to let every thought become still and every nerve and muscle relax in peaceful quietness.

When I awake I am thankful that I can carry the blessing of the Christ peace with me into the busy world, thankful that even though the things I have to do may seem to contradict His peace, I can still know that His peace goes forth unseen and unheralded to bring peace to the world.

During one period of crisis, Jesus Christ gave His peace, the peace of God, to the world. I too can give His peace during this time of adjustment by keeping my mind and heart steadied in His love. Nothing can lessen the power of His peace or deter it from accomplishing its mighty works. In it I find surcease from suffering, from worry, from tension and weariness. Peace I find in Him, and peace I give.

♣ *He is our peace.*—EPH. 2:14.

I AM THANKFUL FOR GOD-GIVEN COURAGE, COURAGE ADEQUATE TO EVERY NEED.

I FACE today with a strong heart, a clear mind, and steady hands, for I know that the courage that God gives is adequate to every need. In the strength of His courage within me I give courage to others throughout the day.

Of my own self I might not face the issues of life bravely, but with the inspiration of God filling my mind, the love of God flooding my heart, the faith of God making all things possible to me, and the peace of God beckoning me on to the ultimate effort, I can do all things.

Courage worthy of a son of God is mine. I will walk and work and think and live courageously for the sake of the beloved Son who gave His life that I might live valiantly, who served that I too might serve the divine cause of wholeness, unity, harmony, and peace. His banner over me is love, and I will help to keep that banner afloat over all the world until all men and women everywhere are brought into the valiant brotherhood of the Christ.

♣ *Behold, I* am *the* LORD, *the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?*—JER. 32:27 (A. V.).

I AM THANKFUL FOR THE TRUTH THAT SETS ME FREE.

I AM thankful for Truth that sets me free from the pettiness and the limitations of the personal, thankful for the goal of eternal life and wholeness that Truth reveals to me. Truth has given eternal purpose to my life; has given me an eternal pattern for being loving, an eternal faith for carrying on the Christ works, an eternal joy in knowing God.

I am thankful for Truth that has lifted me out of the darkness of ignorance, doubt, and fear into the clear shining of the Father's love, into the radiance of His light, into the fullness of life.

As I grow in the knowledge and practice of Truth, hampering expressions of passion, envy, jealousy, impatience, weakness, and lack are stripped from me. By the power of Jesus Christ I stand free from mortal limitation, from disease and sin and death. Truth brings the very Spirit of God into my life and makes me momently conscious of His presence, His love, His wisdom and power.

♣ *Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*—JOHN 8:32.

WHOLEHEARTEDLY I THANK GOD FOR THE PRAYERS OF JESUS CHRIST.

BLESS God for the prayers of His beloved Son! When Jesus Christ prayed His memorable prayer that His disciples might be one even as He and the Father were one, He lovingly added the words "Neither for these only do I pray, but for them also that believe on me."

Jesus Christ prayed for me! Nothing gives me greater joy, greater assurance than this, for I know that His prayers are eternal, alive, active, and they are at work this very moment to bless me, to bless my loved ones, to bless all who believe on Him, and to draw every one of us into the eternal love, life, joy, and glory of our Father.

Jesus Christ prayed for you! How I love to remember this as I think of those who are separated from me in the flesh, for I know that the living prayers of Jesus Christ are all-powerful. They span the continents, they span the grave, and their work never ceases. Even as I am blessed, so these are blessed eternally in His all-inclusive prayers, His prayers that safeguard, uphold, and deliver.

♠ *Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that the Son may glorify thee.*—JOHN 17:1.

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I AM NEITHER LONELY NOR AFRAID, FOR I KNOW THAT GOD IS WITH ME.

TRUE TO His promise, God is always with you, the perfect companion of mind, heart, and soul. God within you is the perfect love that satisfies, the love that endures, the love that never fails, the love that is blessing you this very moment with comfort and cheer.

Let your heart take courage, for God is with you to strengthen, support, and sustain you. God is with you, blessing you, loving you, guiding you, every moment of every day.

You can walk through the darkness unafraid knowing that God is with you as a protecting presence shielding you from all harm. You can surpass any former efforts or achievements knowing that God is steadying and strengthening mind, heart, hand, and nerves. You may be facing unaccustomed conditions, unaccustomed duties that seem hard and heart-rending to you. If so, be still and know that God is with you. God your Father, your friend, your maker, is with you to help you as only God can, with strength, courage, peace, and understanding.

♣ *I am with you always.*—MATT. 28:20.

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